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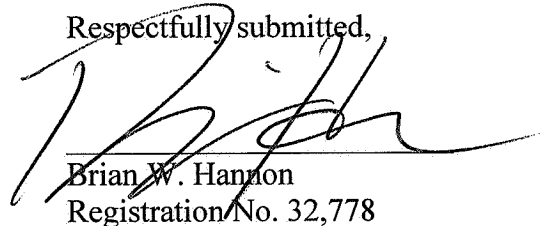
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**Assignee:** Vacu Vin Innovations Ltd.

**Foreign Applications:** Netherlands ~~102297~~ 1022297 ~~01/03/2003~~ 01/02/2003

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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/NL04/00001 01/05/2004

## Foreign Applications

NETHERLANDS 1022297  
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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/541,235**

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**Preliminary Class**

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c) for type of application)

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- a. ☐ is attached hereto.  
b. ☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application  
Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

**PCT FILED APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL STAGE**

- c. ☒ was described and claimed in International application No. PCT/NL2004/00001  
filed on 5 January 2004  
and as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any)

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, paragraph 1.56(a).

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**PRIORITY CLAIM**

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(complete (d) or (e))

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 e. ☒ such applications have been filed as follows

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Country	Application Number	Date of filing (day, month, year)	Date of Issue (day, month, year)	Priority claimed
The Netherlands	1022297	2 January 2003		Yes

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**CONTINUATION-IN-PART**

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I hereby declare claim the benefit under Title 35, United States code, paragraph 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claim of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, paragraph 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, paragraph 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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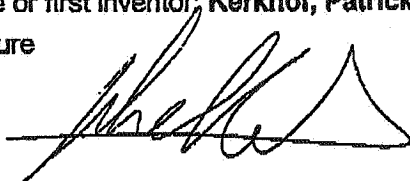
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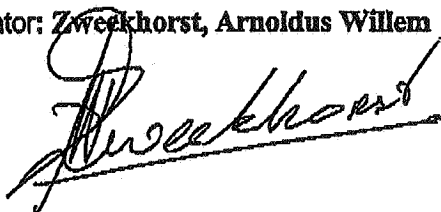
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as assignor(s), have made an invention entitled:

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(Serial No.
- (b) executed an application for United States Letters Patent on  
and  
respectively; and

national phase of international application PCT/NL2004/00001 filed January 5, 2004

WHEREAS, Vacu Vin Innovations Ltd.

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United Kingdom

as assignee, is desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to be issued upon this application;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from assignee is hereby acknowledged, I/we, as assignor(s), have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, my/our entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention and this application, and all divisions, and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof; and I/we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

AND, I/WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that I/we will, without further consideration, communicate with assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts known to me/us respecting this invention and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers when called upon to do so, execute and deliver all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to this invention in said assignee, its successors and assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for this invention in the United States, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the assignee, its successors and assigns.

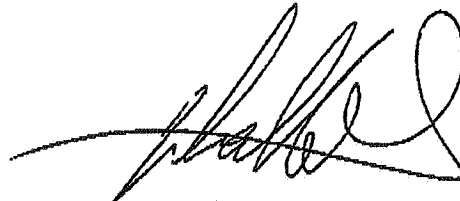


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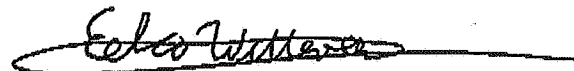


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